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FEBRUARY 27, 1974

TO: BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM: SECRETARY KISSINGER

1. WE PLAN SIMULTANEOUS WASHINGTON-CAIRO ANNOUNCEMENT
RE RESUMPTION OF US-EGYPTIAN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. ANNOUNCEMENT
WILL BE MADE AT 6:00 P.M. CAIRO TIME (NOON WASHINGTON TIME)
FEBRUARY 28.

2. FOLLOWING IS AGREED TEXT, WHICH YOU SHOULD HAVE
ZIEGLER READ AT NOON:

QUOTE: THE GOVERNMENTS OF EGYPT AND THE UNITED STATES
HAVE AGREED TO RESUME DIPLOMATIC RELATION ON FEBRUARY 28, 1974.

THE TWO GOVERNMENTS EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THIS STEP WILL
DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR COUNTRIES AND
CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALLY TO BETTER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND
COOPERATIONS. State Dept. review completed

THE GOVERNMENT OF EGYPT HAS NAMED DR. ASHRAF GHORBAL AS
AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES. THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
INTENDS TO NOMINATE MR. HERMAN EILTS AS AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT.
UNQUOTE.

3. YOU SHOULD MAKE CALLS ABOUT TWO HOURS BEFORE SCHEDULED
ANNOUNCEMENT TO GIVE ADVANCE NOTICE TO V.P. FORD,
FULBRIGHT, MANSFIELD, MORGAN, SCOTT, ALBERT AND O'NEIL.
YOU SHOULD ALSO NOTIFY VORONTSOV ABOUT TWO HOURS IN ADVANCE.

4. WE HAVE INFORMED UK; WE WILL INFORM SPANISH AMBASSADOR
TO EGYPT.

5. WE WILL TRANSMIT TO DEPARTMENT SUGGESTED WORLDWIDE
CIRCULAR FOR TRANSMISSION AT TIME OF ANNOUNCEMENT. WE WILL PREPARE
SPECIAL CIRCULAR FOR ALGERIA, SAUDI ARABIA, IRAN, JORDAN AND
LEBANON TO GIVE THEM ABOUT TWO HOUR ADVANCE NOTICE.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE
INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

6. PLEASE KEEP SPRINGSTEEN INFORMED OF ABOVE, AND HAVE